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Naylor, Hugh E., Front Royal, Va.

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Nolting, W. Otto, Richmond, Va.
Norris, S. Henry, Philadelphia, Pa.
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Ogden, Robt. C., New York.
Old, Major, W. W., Norfolk, Va.
Oliver, Dr. A. S., Elberton, Ga
Owen, Thomas N., Carrollton, Ala.
Owen, B. P., Chesterfield Co., Va.

Pace, E. C., Ashley, Ills.
Page, S. Davis, Philadelphia, Pa.
Page, L. W., Washington, D. C.
Page, Major Mann, Brandon, Va.
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Page, Thomas Nelson, Washington, D. C.
Palmer, Thos. W., Detroit, Mich.
Palmer, Col. William H., Richmond, Va
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Patteson, S. S. P., Richmond, Va.
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Payne, Gen. William H., Warrenton, Va.
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Pierce Orestes, Oakland, Cal.
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Pitts, A. D., Selma, Ala.
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Pollard, Henry R., Richmond, Va.
Pollard, J. G., Richmond, Va.
Pope, George, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Potwin, Mrs. Eliza Lewis, Evanston, Ill.
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Pritchett, Carr W., Glasgow, Mo.
Pryor, Gen. Roger A., New York, N. Y.

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Read, Frank S., Fort Smith, Ark.
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Read, Samuel R., Chattanooga, Tenn.
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RoBards, Col John Lewis, Hannibal, Mo.
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Robertson, Thos. B., Eastville, Va.
Robins, William B , Richmond, Va.
Roller, Gen. John E., Harrisonburg, Va.
Roosevelt, Hon. Theodore, President of the United States, Washington, D. C.
Roper, Bartlett H., Sen , Petersburg, Va.
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Rust, Gen. P. C., New York, N. Y.
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Smith, Willis B., Richmond, Va.
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Stanard, W. G., Richmond, Va.
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Stewart, Miss E. Hope, "
Stewart, Miss Norma, "
Stewart, Miss Lucy W., "
Stewart, Rev. J. Calvin, Richmond, Va.
Stewart, J. A., Louisville, Ky.
Stimson, Mrs. Daniel M., New York.
Stimson, R. M., Marietta, Ohio.
Stone, Rev. A. E., D. D., Dallas, Texas.
Stratton, Miss Mabel Laird, Richmond, Va.
Strayer, H. B., Nashville, Tenn.
Stringfellow, Maj. Chas. S., Richmond, Va.
Strother, Hon. P. W., Pearisburg, Va.
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Thomas, Douglas H., Baltimore, Md.
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Thruston, R. C. Ballard, Louisville, Ky.
Todd, Chas. H., M. D., Owensboro, Ky.
Todd, George D., Louisville, Ky.
Towles, Walter, Henderson, Ky.
Travers, S. W., Richmond, Va.
Tree, J. B., "
Trice, H. H., Norfolk, Va.
Trigg, W. R., Richmond, Va.
Tucker, J. D., South Boston, Va.
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Ward, Colonel John H., Louisville, Ky.
Warren, L. R., Richmond, Va.
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Watts, Judge Legh R., Portsmouth, Va.
Wayland, Prof. J. W., Bridgewater, Va.
Weddell, A. W., Richmond, Va.
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Wellford, C. E., "
Welch, Charles A., Boston, Mass.
West, Mrs. Henry L., Washington, D. C.
White, Prof. H. A., Columbia, S. C.
White, J. B., Kansas City, Mo.
White, Miles, Jr., Baltimore, Md.
White, W. T., Waco, Texas.
Whiting, W. W., Mobile, Ala.
Whitner, Charles F., Atlanta, Ga.
Whitsitt, Rev. W. H., D. D., Richmond, Va.
Whittet, Robert, Richmond, Va.
Whitty, J. H., "
Wiggins, Mrs. Sarah H., Indianapolis, Ind.
Willard, Mrs. Joseph E., Fairfax Co., Va.
Williams, Capt. Chas. U., Richmond, Va.
Williams, Mrs. F. L., Bristol, R. I.
Williams, Henry, Baltimore, Md.
Williams, John G., Orange, Va.

Williams, J. P., Savannah, Ga.
Williams, John Skelton, Richmond, Va.
Williams, Mrs. Robt. K., Norfolk, Va.
Williamson, D. A., Covington, Va.
Williamson, J. T., Columbia, Tenn.
Winston, James B., Glen Allen, Va.
Wingo, Chas. E., Richmond, Va.
Wise, Mrs. Barton H., Richmond, Va.
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Wise, John C., M. D., U. S. N., Warrenton, Va.
Wise, Captain Wm. C., U. S. N., Navy Yard, Pensacola, Fla.
Withers, Alfred D., Roane's, Va.
Withers, H. C., Austin, Texas.
Withers, H. C., Carrollton, Ills.
Withers, H. M., Kansas City, Mo.
Withington, Lothrop, London, Eng.
Wood, Charles T., Savannah, Ga.
Woodhull, Mrs. Oliver J., San Antonio, Texas.
Woods, Hon. Micajah, Charlottesville, Va.
Wright, Jacob Ridgeway, Wilkes-Barre, Penn.
Wright, Mrs. Selden S., San Francisco, Cal.

Yates, Miss Grace E., Springfield, Ills.
Yonge, Samuel H., Richmond, Va.
Young, Hon. B. H., Louisville, Ky.

Zimmer, W. L., Petersburg, Va.
Zimmerman, J. H., Alexandria, Va.

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University of Indiana Library, Bloomington, Ind.

University of Michigan Library, Ann Arbor Mich.

University of Minnesota Library, Minneapolis, Minn.

University of Virginia Library, Charlottesville, Va.

University of West Virginia Library, Morgantown, W. Va.

Vanderbilt University Library, Nashville, Tenn.

Virginia State Library, Richmond, Va.

Virginia Military Institute Library, Lexington, Va.

West Virginia Historical Society Library, Charleston, W. Va.

War Department Library, Washington, D. C.

Wheeling Public Library, Wheeling, W. Va.

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Richmond College Library, Richmond, Va.

Washington and Lee University Library, Lexington, Va.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Virginia Historical Society

AT ITS

ANNUAL MEETING

HELD IN THE

Hall of the House of Delegates, January 16, 1903,

WITH THE

LIST OF OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.

RICHMOND:
WM. ELLIS JONES, BOOK AND JOB PRINTER.
1903.

OFFICERS

OF THE

Virginia Historical Society,

JANUARY, 1903.

President.

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and, ex-officio the President, Vice-Presidents, Secretaries, and Treasurer.

* Died since election, vacancy not yet filled.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Virginia Historical Society

IN

Annual Meeting held January 16, 1903.

The (postponed) annual meeting of the Virginia Historical Society was held on January 16, 1903, at 8:15 P. M., in the hall of the House of Delegates in the Virginia State Capitol.

A large number of ladies and gentlemen were present when Mr. Joseph Bryan, President of the Society, called the meeting to order and stated that the first business was the reading of the report of the Executive Committee. He then read the report as follows:

Report of the Executive Committee.

To the Members of the Virginia Historical Society:

The Executive Committee of your Society begs to make the following report of the Society for the year ending November 8, 1902:

Membership.

The membership of the Society is now 758, ten less than the number reported last year. This reduction is due to names that have been dropped from continued failure to pay their annual dues. There are still a number of delinquents, indeed too many, and your Committee would urge the members to greater promptness in their remittances to the treasurer, as the means

with which to meet our imperative demands are almost entirely obtained from the annual contribution of members. If there is any member who does not wish to continue his membership and to receive the publications of the Society, it would relieve the treasurer of some embarrassment if he would kindly indicate this, but until the wish of the member is known to the contrary it is presumed that he wishes to remain. But in that case the member should with proper promptness pay his annual dues.

Despite, however, these delinquencies our financial condition is better than it was at the time of our last report.

The treasurer's report is as follows:

Treasurer's Report.

Balance on hand November 9th, 1901			$ 27 00
Receipts.			
	1901.	1902.	
Annual dues	$3,133 34	$3,249 69	
Life members	50 00	100 00	
Magazines	192 85	196 90	
Publications	29 50	102 60	
Interest	47 92	153 16	
Advertisements	127 50	109 50	
	$3,581 11	$3,911 85	3,911 85
			3,938 85
Expenditures.			
Stamps, postage and express	$ 116 98	$ 122 85	
Repairs	319 25		
Insurance	67 50	60 00	
Books, stationery, &c	83 86	64 20	
Binding		72 15	
Printing magazines, catalogue, &c	1,239 85	1,018 50	
Wages	240 00	240 00	
Salaries	1,650 00	1,650 00	
General expenses	289 65	242 18	
	$4,007 09	$3,469 88	3,469 88
Balance in State Bank November 8, 1902			$468 97

The Treasurer holds on account of the Permanent Fund:

State Bank 3% Certificates	$ 400 00
Virginia State Bond 3%	100 00
Mortgage running 3 years, from May 9, 1901, bearing 5%	3,000 00
Total	$3,500 00

Of the above balance in bank of $468.97, the Executive Committee have, since this account was closed, applied $300 to the Permanent Fund, making the amount now,	$3,800 00

It will be seen that our receipts have increased over last year $330.74, and our expenditures have decreased $537.22. But in the year 1900, owing to $319.25 extraordinary repairs, the expenditures exceeded current receipts by $425.98, which we have recovered and, with the previous balance of $27, carry forward $468.97.

Additions to the Library.

The additions to our library have been 410 books and pamphlets, a great portion of which were gifts to the Society. Among the donors of books and objects of historical or antiquarian interest have been Rev. H. E. Hayden, Mr. Miles White, Jr., Mr. W. H. Snowden, Major R. T. Barton, Mrs. M. E. Henry Ruffin, General W. P. Craighill, Prof. C. W. Kent, Mrs. Bernard G. Farrar, Mr. W. S. Appleton, Dr. J. L. Miller, Mr. Edward Wilson James, Rev. B. D. Tucker, D. D., Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Stanard, Dr. W. R. Whitehead, Mr. Morgan P. Robinson, Mr. Albert Matthews, Mr. William K. Anderson, Miss Virginia Ritchie, Mrs. Lizzie C. Robinson, Mrs. Anne C. Rutherfoord, Mrs. John Dunn, Captain M. J. Dimmock, Mrs. Alfred Williams, Mrs. D. B. Winfree, Mrs. Henry M. Baker, Mr. John C. Bullitt, Mr. James B. Anderson, Mr. J. A. Waddell, Mr. Frank Hume and Miss Fanny B. Hunter.

The library is greatly in need of more shelf room, and especially a place in which our valuable collection of newspapers can be kept together. Besides this shelf room a complete outfit for a card catalogue would add greatly to the usefulness of the library. The inaccessibility of much of our material is perhaps

a sufficient reason for the failure of our members to avail themselves fully of it.

Gifts and Loans.

The Society continues to be the recipient of very valuable and interesting gifts and loans.

During the past year a full length silhouette of the Right Rev. Richard Channing Moore, Protestant Episcopal Bishop of Virginia, has been presented by General William P. Craighill, of the United States Army, and a steel engraving of Bishop William Meade by Mrs. James R. Taylor, of Staunton, Va.

Twenty-five volumes of store account books of a mercantile firm in Louisa county, Virginia, from 1826 to 1868, have been presented by Prof. C. W. Kent, University of Virginia. These books afford much valuable information in regard to prices during that period.

A map of the Summer Islands (Bermuda), in 1626, containing the names of all land owners, presented by Mrs. Bernard G. Farrar, of St. Louis, Mo.

A sword presented by the State of Virginia to Thomas Ritchie, as heir to his brother, Captain John Ritchie, U. S. A., who was killed at the battle of Niagara in 1814, was presented by Miss Virginia Ritchie, in accordance with the request of her sister, the late Mrs. Isabella H. Harrison, of Brandon, Virginia.

The sword of Lieutenant John Trabue, of Chesterfield county, Virginia, an officer of the Revolution, and a member of the Society of Cincinnati, together with a framed commission as Ensign, and a letter from General Baron Von Steuben, have been loaned by Mrs. Lizzie C. Robinson.

A certificate of Lieutenant John Trabue's membership in the Society of Cincinnati, signed by Washington, has also been loaned.

One of the most valuable acquisitions to our collection is a map of Virginia by John Henry, father of Patrick Henry, dated London, 1770, which was presented by Mr. W. C. Bullitt, of Philadelphia, in accordance with a request of his father, the late John C. Bullitt. This map is exceedingly rare, and it is believed that

there are only two copies in existence; this one was long in the possession of the Horner family of Fauquier county, Virginia.

A portait of Thomas Nelson, afterwards signer of the Declaration of Independence and Governor of Virginia, painted by Chamberlin in London, 1754, has been loaned to the Society by Dr. Charles C. Page, of New York city.

The commission of the Hon. A. H. H. Stuart, as Secretary of the Interior, signed by President Fillmore, and a letter from Daniel Webster, asking if he would accept the office, have been presented by Mrs. R. A. Gibson, of Richmond, Virginia, the daughter of Mr. Stuart.

Two large frames of beautiful photographic views of the exterior and interior of the buildings and of the grounds at Brandon have been loaned by Miss Edyth C. Beveridge.

The Society is indebted to Mr. Michael Lloyd Ferrar, of Little Gidding, Ealing, Eng., for copies and photographic fac-similes of a number of valuable letters discovered not long since at Magdalene College, Cambridge. These letters were once part of the papers of John Ferrar, who took so notable a part in the affairs of Virginia during the period of the Company, and comprise letters from Yeardley, Pory, Rolfe, Edwin Sandys, Rev. Richard Buck, and a number of others. Mr. Ferrar has promised to continue his favors.

There are besides these a number of other gifts of manuscripts and photographs, for which the Society desires in general terms to return its thanks.

Publication Committee.

The Magazine has been regularly issued, and will be continued on the same general lines as in the past, giving as much space as possible to the printing of unpublished historical documents.

The publication of the Abridgment of the Virginia Laws compiled in 1694, will be completed with the January, 1903, number of the Magazine. An edition of three hundred copies of this abridgment will be reprinted for sale.

During the coming year the Magazine will be largely given

up to the publication of some very valuable, but almost unknown, papers in the Virginia State Archives. In the beginning will be printed a series of papers, of dates ranging from 1665 to 1774, similar to those in the Calendar of Virginia State Papers. These papers were found at various times after their respective dates had been passed in the publication of the Calendar, and were intended for a supplementary volume, which was never issued.

Another series of much interest is the correspondence from 1759 to 1770 of the Committee of Safety, representing the Virginia General Assembly, with Edward Montague, the Agent for Virginia, in England. These letters discuss fully the reasons for various laws which had been passed in Virginia, and otherwise contain much valuable historical matter pertaining to that period.

The Legislative papers, of which two instalments have been printed in the Magazine, will be continued, taking up again the very varied and numerous papers of 1775 and continuing to later dates.

It gives the Committee great pleasure to state that through the courtesy of Messrs. Lothrop Withington and Henry F. Waters, there will be published, beginning briefly in January, a series of Abstracts of English Wills, etc., similar to the well known "Waters' Gleanings," in the *New England Historical and Genealogical Register*. All know how much these added to the knowledge of the connection of America with England, and there is no doubt that the series to be published in our Magazine will be much more valuable to Virginians.

Another valuable addition to our manuscripts will be copies of the certificates of service in the French and Indian wars, of which there is a large number in the State Land Office. These papers are being copied now, and when the work is completed they will be bound and indexed.

The Society has this year again a very competent copyist at work making transcripts of the legislative documents and other Virginia State records for future use in the Magazine. While referring to the Virginia State Records notice should be made

of the fact that at the last session of the Legislature $1,000 was appropriated for the work of arranging and indexing those now in the State Library. The Honorable D. Q. Eggleston, Secretary of the Commonwealth, has since been carrying out the purposes of the act in the most intelligent and efficient manner. He has engaged the services of Mr. W. T. Nimmo, of Petersburg, who, for a number of months past, has been occupied in arranging and filing these most valuable papers.

The Committee is gratified to be able to report that they have made arrangements to have a considerable amount of copies made from the very valuable and unpublished early Virginia records, now in the Manuscript Department of the Congressional Library. The manuscript volumes of Virginia records came to the Congressional Library with the library of Jefferson, which was bought by Congress some years after his death, and contain much matter of interest which, in course of time, will be published in our Magazine.

The Annual Address.

We are glad to say that the address which our constitution requires as a special feature of our annual meeting, will this year be delivered by Prof. Albert Bushnell Hart, of Harvard University. This meeting has been delayed until now in order that we might be assured of the presence of Dr. Hart.

Deaths.

The following members have died during the past year.

Life Members.

Major D. N. Walker, Richmond, Va.
Arthur L. Rives, Reedsville, Mass.
Charles Hare Hutchinson, Philadelphia, Pa.
Colonel Thomas Richeson, St. Louis, Mo.

Annual Members.

Pascal Davie, Richmond, Va.
Rev. D. F. Forrest, D. D.

Rear Admiral J. F. JOUETT, U. S. N.
R. A. LANCASTER, Richmond, Va.
Colonel CHARLES MARSHALL, Baltimore, Md.
CHARLES BROADWAY ROUSS, New York, N. Y.
H. C. THACKER, Boston, Mass.
Dr. W. R. WHITEHEAD, Denver, Col.

CONCLUSION.

The most interesting event in connection with the history of Virginia during the past year has been the organization of a company for the appropriate celebration of the founding of the Colony at Jamestown, in 1607. This organization has been fortunate in securing as its chief executive General Fitzhugh Lee, and while much yet remains to be done in determining the scope of the operation and the methods of the celebration, and in securing the necessary appropriations and contributions, so much has been already accomplished by the vigorous management which has taken hold of this company that there is every reason to believe that the great event of 1607 will be appropriately recognized by Virginia, the United States and the world.

Under our amended charter it will be necessary for the Society to elect another President at this annual meeting, and I take this occasion to express my high appreciation of the confidence in me which has been exhibited by my re-election as President for ten years, and my gratification that the Society has assumed a condition of permanence and of usefulness which promises to make it one of our lasting institutions.

JOS. BRYAN, *President.*

Richmond, January 16, 1903.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The next business was the election of officers for the ensuing year.

A resolution having been offered and adopted that a committee be appointed to present nominations, President Bryan named Messrs. Pollard, Gray and Scott as members of the committee.

The committee retired, and on its return, the chairman, Mr. Henry R. Pollard, presented the following nominations:

President—W. Gordon McCabe, Richmond, Va.

Vice-Presidents—J. L. M. Curry, Washington, D. C.; Archer Anderson, Richmond, Va.; Edward V. Valentine, Richmond, Va.

Corresponding Secretary and Librarian—William G. Stanard, Richmond, Va.

Recording Secretary—David C. Richardson, Richmond, Va.

Treasurer—Robert T. Brooke, Richmond, Va.

Executive Committee—Joseph Bryan, Richmond, Va.; Lyon G. Tyler, Williamsburg, Va.; C. V. Meredith, Richmond, Va.; B. B. Munford, Richmond, Va.; Edward Wilson James, Norfolk, Va., Armistead C. Gordon, Staunton, Va.; Charles W. Kent, University of Virginia; J. A. C. Chandler, Richmond, Va.; W. Meade Clark, Richmond, Va.; S. S. P. Patteson, Richmond, Va.; J. P. McGuire, Richmond, Va.; S. C. Mitchell, Richmond, Va.

On motion, the nominees were voted on as a whole and were unanimously elected.

President Bryan then requested Mr. Pollard to escort the President-elect, Captain W. Gordon McCabe, to the stand.

President Bryan introduced the President-elect, who in a brief address expressed his thanks and his hopes for the future of the Society.

President McCabe then introduced Prof. Albert Bushnell Hart, of Harvard University, who delivered an able address on "Historical Societies and Historical Research."

Prof. Hart's address was listened to with great attention and with frequent applause.

After thanking Prof. Hart in the name of the Society, Presi-

dent McCabe turned to the Ex-President and stated that he still had a very pleasant duty to perform.

He then in eloquent language, expressive of the affectionate regard in which Mr. Bryan is held, presented to him a loving cup, the gift of the Executive Committee. The cup bears the seal of the Society and the following inscriptions:

"Presented to Joseph Bryan, Esq., by the Executive Committee of the Virginia Historical Society, as a token of affection and regard, and in recognition of his executive ability as President of the Society, 1893–1903."

"Semper honos nomenque tuum laudesque manebunt."

January 16, 1903."

Mr. Bryan, who was entirely ignorant of the purpose of the Committee, replied in a few words which were characterized by deep feeling.

Then, on motion, the meeting adjourned.

In Memoriam.

J. L. M. CURRY,

Died February 12, 1903.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Virginia Historical Society, March 7, 1903, the following minute of respect to the memory of the late J. L. M. Curry, D. D., LL. D., a Vice-President of the Virginia Historical Society, were reported and adopted:

The HONORABLE J. L. M. CURRY has passed away since the last meeting of the Virginia Historical Society.

As he was for many years its Senior Vice-President and a member of its Executive Committee, it is fitting that his associates of that Committee should give some expression to their deep sense of his merits and of the loss they, in common with all Virginians, have sustained in his death. Dr. Curry's winning personal traits and the generous encouragement he always extended to the labors of other men could not fail to attract the affectionate regard of all who were brought near him.

But, had these lovable qualities been wanting, his conspicuous ability and high character must everywhere have commanded respect.

Touching life at many points in his long and varied career, he returned in his later years with renewed ardor to the pursuits of his young manhood, the study of constitutional history and the practical business of the statesman.

For such practical work, as his early brilliant service in the Congress of the United States and in that of the Southern Confederacy had shown, he possessed the prime requisite in exceptional power as a public speaker. No one who ever heard him on a great occasion can forget his magnetic presence, his commanding voice, the abounding force and volume of his language, and, above all, that intensity of utterance which flashed conviction, that fusion of reason with emotion, without which no orator can sway large assemblies of men. This power he had. This power he exerted in many fields, during a long life, but always for high and noble ends.

His arduous work in the cause of popular education was not unworthy of his distinction as a statesman.

For here his constant guide, his impelling motive was the statesman's maxim that, an extended suffrage being the necessary basis of American political life, the safety of the State demands the education of the voter.

Thus, his treatment of whatever became the subject of his special consideration took the color of his lifelong devotion to labors connected with constitutional law and government.

His colleagues of this Committee have felt that the light of these elevated pursuits was cast, through his presence with them, upon the humbler domain of historical investigation committed to their charge. Be it, therefore,

Resolved, by the Executive Committee of the Virginia Historical Society, that the foregoing minute be recorded in their proceedings, and that the Corresponding Secretary be instructed to transmit a copy of it to Mrs. Curry and to publish the same in the April number of the *Virginia Magazine of History and Biography*.

(Signed) ARCHER ANDERSON,
E. V. VALENTINE,
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